Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A method comprising:

at least one of issuing and receiving one or more signals encoding at least one of audio information and an identification of a source of the audio information, the audio information being generated, at least in part, at the source, the identification being generated based, at least in part upon, identifying information provided at the source; and

displaying a respective user-appreciable identification of the source and a respective user-appreciable indication of the amplitude of the audio information.

Claim 2 (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein:

the identifying information comprises at least one of:

an alpha-numeric message entered via a telephone; and

an identification code associated with a device that is capable of wireless communication.

Claim 3 (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving at an intermediate node the audio information via an active audio channel;

associating the active audio channel with the identification; and

transmitting the one or more signals from the intermediate node to one or more destinations.

Claim 4 (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising:

providing, based at least in part upon the identification, at each of one or more destinations of the audio information, a respective user-appreciable identification of the source.

Claim 5 (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein:

the method further comprises:

receiving at an intermediate node the audio information;

determining, at least in part, at the intermediate node an amplitude of the audio information; and

transmitting from the intermediate node to one or more destinations the one or more signals, the one or more signals also encoding an indication of the amplitude.

Claim 6 (Original): The method of claim 3, wherein:

a public telephone network comprises the intermediate node; and

the intermediate node comprises:

a database in which to associate the active channel and the identification; and

a mixer to generate the one or more signals.

Claim 7 (Original): The method of claim 5, wherein:

a public telephone network comprises the intermediate node; and

the intermediate node comprises a mixer to generate the one or more signals.

Claim 8 (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein:

the source comprises at least one of a computer and a telephone.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 8 [[1]], wherein:

the source comprises a microphone communicatively coupled to at least one of the computer and the telephone, the microphone being capable of generating the audio information.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): An apparatus comprising:

circuitry to at least one of issue and receive one or more signals encoding at least one of audio information and an identification of a source of the audio information, the audio information being generated, at least in part, at the source, the identification being generated based, at least in part upon, identifying information provided at the source; and

one or more destinations of the audio information capable of displaying a user-appreciable identification of the source and a respective user-appreciable indication of the amplitude of the audio information.

Claim 11 (Original): The apparatus of claim 10, wherein:

the identifying information comprises at least one of:

an alpha-numeric message entered via a telephone; and

an identification code associated with a device that is capable of wireless communication.

Claim 12 (Original): The apparatus of claim 10, also comprising:

an intermediate node capable of receiving the audio information via an active audio channel, the intermediate node also being capable of associating the active audio channel with the identification and of transmitting the one or more signals from the intermediate node to one or more destinations.

Claim 13 (Original): The apparatus of claim 10, further comprising:

one or more destinations of the audio information capable of providing, based at least in part upon the identification, at each of the one or more destinations, a respective user-appreciable identification of the source.

Claim 14 (Original): The apparatus of claim 10, also comprising:

an intermediate node capable of receiving the audio information, the intermediate node also being capable of determining, at least in part, an amplitude of the audio information and of transmitting from the intermediate node to one or more destinations the one or more signals, the one or more signals also encoding an indication of the amplitude.

Claim 15 (Original): The apparatus of claim 12, wherein:

a public telephone network comprises the intermediate node; and

the intermediate node comprises:

a database in which to associate the active channel and the identification; and

a mixer to generate the one or more signals.

Claim 16 (Original): The apparatus of claim 14, wherein:

a public telephone network comprises the intermediate node; and

the intermediate node comprises a mixer to generate the one or more signals.

Claim 17 (Original): The apparatus of claim 10, wherein:

the source comprises at least one of a computer and a telephone.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The apparatus of claim 17 [[10]], wherein:

the source comprises a microphone communicatively coupled to at least one of the computer and the telephone, the microphone being capable of generating the audio information.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): Computer-readable memory having stored therein instructions that when executed by a machine result in the following:

at least one of issuing and receiving one or more signals encoding at least one of audio information and an identification of a source of the audio information, the audio

information being generated, at least in part, at the source, the identification being generated based, at least in part upon, identifying information provided at the source; and

displaying at each of one or more destinations of the audio information, a respective user-appreciable identification of the source and a respective user-appreciable indication of the amplitude of the audio information.

Claim 20 (Original): The memory of claim 19, wherein:

the identifying information comprises at least one of:

an alpha-numeric message entered via a telephone; and

an identification code associated with a device that is capable of wireless communication.

Claim 21 (Original): The memory of claim 19, wherein the instructions when executed by the machine also result in:

receiving at an intermediate node the audio information via an active audio channel;

associating the active audio channel with the identification; and

transmitting the one or more signals from the intermediate node to one or more destinations.

Claim 22. (Original): The memory of claim 21, wherein the instructions when executed by the machine also result in:

providing, based at least in part upon the identification, at each of one or more destinations of the audio information, a respective user-appreciable identification of the source.

Claim 23 (Original): The memory of claim 19, wherein the instructions when executed by the machine also result in:

receiving at an intermediate node the audio information;

determining, at least in part, at the intermediate node an amplitude of the audio information; and

transmitting from the intermediate node to one or more destinations the one or more signals, the one or more signals also encoding an indication of the amplitude.

Claim 24 (Original): The memory of claim 21, wherein:

a public telephone network comprises the intermediate node; and

the intermediate node comprises:

a database in which to associate the active channel and the identification; and

a mixer to generate the one or more signals.

Claim 25 (Original): The memory of claim 23, wherein:

a public telephone network comprises the intermediate node; and

the intermediate node comprises a mixer to generate the one or more signals.

Claim 26 (Original): The memory of claim 19, wherein:

the source comprises at least one of a computer and a telephone.

Claim 27 (Original): The memory of claim 19, wherein:

the source comprises a microphone communicatively coupled to at least one of the computer and the telephone, the microphone being capable of generating the audio information.

Claim 28 (Currently Amended): A system comprising:

a circuit board comprising a circuit card slot;

a circuit card capable of being inserted into the slot, the circuit card comprising circuitry to at least one of issue and receive one or more signals encoding at least one of audio information and an identification of a source of the audio information, the audio

information being generated, at least in part, at the source, the identification being generated based, at least in part upon, identifying information provided at the source; and

a user interface capable of displaying a user-appreciable identification of the source and a respective user-appreciable indication of the amplitude of the audio information.

Claim 29 (Original): The system of claim 28, wherein the circuit board further comprises:

a processor coupled to the slot via a bus.

Claims 30-32 (Canceled)